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LA MEMBERSHIP ON COMITE OF 24 --

WHEN LA GROUP CHAIRMAN SICLAIT (HAITI) CALLED ON GA PRES BOUTEFILKA DEC 17 TO CONVEY GROUP'S ENDORSEMENT OF GUATEMALA AS REPLACEMENT FOR VENEZUELA ON COMITE OF 24, BOUTEFILKA SAID HE WOULD APPOINT CUBA SINCE CUBA SUBMITTED ITS CANDIDACY FIRST, CUBA IS "REALLY MEMBER OF LA GROUP," AND UNGA RES 1514 ESTABLISHING COMITE DOES NOT REQUIRE UNGA PRES TO CONSULT WITH REGIONAL GROUPS IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS. LA GROUP ENDORSED GUATEMALAN CANDIDACY DEC 16 OVER ARGENTINE AND SOME CARIBBEAN OBJECTIONS; EL SALVADOR AMB ASKED CUBAN PERMREP ALARCON TO WITHDRAW CANDIDACY IN EXCHANGE FOR ONE LA SEAT ON WFC EXEC BOARD, AND ALARCON REFUSED OUTRIGHT. ARGUMENT WAS THAT CUBA NOT MEMBER OF LA GROUP SINCE CUBA WAS RE-ELECTED DEC 16 AS EE (SOCIALIST) CANDIDATE TO UNIDO BOARD, BUT BOUTEFILKA HAS APPARENTLY MADE FIRM COMMITMENT TO ALARCON, AND PREVENTING HIM FROM NAMING CUBA SEEMS UNLIKELY. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 6026)

WORLD FOOD COUNCIL --

DESPITE FACT LA GROUP HAD AGREED SLATE OF SEVEN CANDIDATES FOR SEVEN WORLD FOOD COUNCIL SEATS, CUBA PRESENTED ITS CANDIDACY, CHAIR RULED THAT CANDIDACY WAS ACCEPTED, AND SUBSEQUENTLY CUBA WAS ADDED AS EIGHTH MEMBER OF LA LIST. CUBAN MOVE, APPARENTLY DESIGNED TO BUMP CHILE FROM LA LIST AND THUS PLACATE USSR, WAS SUPPORTED IN ECOSOC BY MEXICO AND NUMBER OF NON-LA'S, INCLUDING ALL EE'S. BECAUSE ASIANS WERE UNABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON CANDIDATES, THEY PRESENTED 11 NOMINATIONS FOR EIGHT SEATS, AND CHINA WAS NOT INCLUDED. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS BY AUSTRALIA, CANADA AND US, CHINESE REITERATED THEY WOULD FOLLOW LDC DESIRES RE CANDIDACIES BUT THEY SUGGESTED THEY MIGHT AGREE TO DRAFT OF CHINA FROM FLOOR. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 6010)

NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE AND NON-PROLIFERATION --
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DEPUTY HEAD OF DEPT IN SOVIET MFA STASHEVSKY TOLD MISOFF SOVS UNDECIDED ON LEVEL OF HEAD OF THEIR DEL TO NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE, BUT ARE CONSIDERING DEPUTY FONMIN, PERHAPS FONMIN FOR OPENING MEETING. STASHEVSKY INDICATED INFO ON US LEVEL WOULD HELP SOVIETS DECIDE, AND FELT US REPRESENTATION SHOULD BE AT SAME LEVEL. HE INDICATED SOVIETS GENERALLY PLEASED WITH OUTCOME OF GA DISARMAMENT WORK,

CONSIDERING THAT NPT GOT SURPRISING SUPPORT GIVEN LOBBYING OF INDIA AND A FEW OTHER ANTI-NPT COUNTRIES. HE THOUGHT AFRICA POSSIBLE NUCLEAR FREE ZONE (NFZ) "SINCE NEITHER WE NOR YOU EVIDENTLY HAVE NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON AFRICAN CONTINENT..."; ME NFZ MUST WAIT MORE GENERAL POLITICAL SETTLEMENT; EARLY DENUCLEARIZATION AGREEMENT IN SOUTH ASIA UNLIKELY IN VIEW OF DEEP INDIAN DISTRUST OF CHINA, WHICH HE SEES AS MAINSPRING OF INDIAN BEHAVIOR ON NUCLEAR ISSUES. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 6015)

UN SALARY INCREASE --

SOVIETS SAID THEY CONSIDER IT GOOD IDEA TO VOTE FOR ANY FLOOR AMENDMENT IN PLENARY LOWERING SALARY INCREASE TO 3 OR 3 1/2 PERCENT, BUT IN ANY EVENT, THEY WILL VOTE AGAINST ENTIRE RES. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 6012)

MALI-UPPER VOLTA BORDER CRISIS --

UPPER VOLTAN UN REP YAGUIBOU RETURNED TO OUAGADOUGOU URGENTLY "ON CONSULTATIONS", AND, ACCORDING TO VOLTAN AMB TO CANADA, WHO IS RETURNING DEC. 17, ALL VOLTAN AMBS HAVE BEEN ORDERED HOME IMMEDIATELY FOR "INDEFINITE TIME" IN VIEW OF "SEVERE CRISIS" INVOLVED IN BORDER DISPUTE WITH MALI. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 6011)
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